

KANSAS CORN CROP

Will Beat Its Greatest Yield by 10,000,000 Bushels

REPORTS FROM SEVENTY-NINE COUNTIES

Estimate a Place Yield at From Two Hundred and Thirty-five to Two Hundred and Fifty Million Bushels—Other News

A compilation of reports received from 300 correspondents living in sixty-nine of the best corn producing counties of Kansas show that the corn yield for this year will be only 235 million bushels. Other estimates have placed the probable yield as high as 350 million bushels. Two months ago these same correspondents estimated the wheat crop at 235 million bushels, when other estimates placed it at twice that amount. The government estimate for Kansas now places the yield at 354 million bushels. Last year the corn crop failed on account of the drought. The product was 42,695,672 bushels. The greatest yield was in 1899, 225,183,432 bushels.

The 300 correspondents were asked to answer the following questions: "What progress has been made in plowing for wheat?" "What per cent of the threshing is finished?" and "What is the present condition of the growing corn?" A summary of the answers to the first two questions shows that little plowing has been done, because the ground is hard and dry, except in a few of the more favored localities which have had occasional showers, and the correspondents agree that two-thirds of the threshing has been completed and that the movement of wheat to the market soon will cease. From two to five correspondents have reported on the condition of corn from each county in the corn belt. Where the estimates of the correspondents are similar one report is used. Where the reports differ they are given as "fair," "good" or "poor," according to the report. The conditions are given by counties as follows:

Allen—Good, fine, never better.
Atchison—Early corn made, late corn fair to good.
Anderson—Corn good, doing well.
Brown—Corn crop will be big.
Barton—Badly burnt, not make one-third crop.
Bourbon—Corn from good to very good.
Butler—Corn damaged by hot wave, poor to average.
Clay—Upland burned some, bottoms fair to good.
Cloud—North part of county good, south part poor.
Coville—Fair, good, average.
Cherokee—Good, average—very fine.
Crawford—Good—very good.
Coffey—Good, full crop.
Chase—Average, good and fair only.
Chautauqua—Very good, average.
Doniphan—Very good; big crop.
Dickinson—Prospects for good crop.
Decatur—Corn will not make much.
Douglas—Bottoms very good; uplands fair.
Elk—From fair to good crop.
Ellsworth—Only fair; needs rain badly.
Franklin—From fair and average to good.
Greenwood—Bottoms very good; uplands only fair.
Geary—Some damage to corn; fair to good.
Harvey—Fair to good.
Harper—Fair; one-half to two-thirds crop.
Jewell—Two-thirds to average crop; needing rain.
Jackson—Good prospects; fine.
Jefferson—Good; very good.
Johnson—Best in many years.
Kingman—Badly damaged.
Leavenworth—Fine; good and excellent are the reports.
Lincoln—Corn badly damaged; one-fourth to one-half crop.
Labette—Eighty to 105 per cent.
Lyon—Reports from fair to average and good.
Linn—Corn good, but late corn needs rain.
Montgomery—Good to excellent.
Marshall—From average to extra good.
Marion—Corn injured by hot winds, from fair to average.
McPherson—Fair to very good.
Miami—Very good.
Mitchell—Only fair.
Morris—Good; fine.
Nemaha—Over 100 per cent crop.
Nesha—Fine; never better.
Norton—From poor to fair.
Osage—Corn good; fine prospects.
Osborne—Corn badly burned; very poor.
Ottawa—From poor to average.
Pratt—One-half to three-fourths crop.
Phillips—Only fair; needs rain.
Pottawatomie—Good average crop.
Rooks—Very badly burned.
Rice—Injured by hot winds, only fair.
Russell—Fifty per cent damage.
Republic—Corn injured 20 per cent.
Reno—Damaged 50 per cent by hot winds.
Riley—Two-thirds to average crop.
Shawnee—Uplands injured, bottoms good.
Sumner—Good average crop.
Sedwick—Indications for full crop.
Saline—Condition poor, fair, drying up.
Stafford—One-third to two-thirds crop.
Smith—With plenty rain one-half to two-thirds crop.
Washington—Fair, poor, good.
Wabunsee—Corn fair to good.
Wyandotte—Very good.
Woodson—Good and very good.
Wilson—Good, fine.

Assaults an Editor
W. T. Lindsey, editor of the Orleans, Neb., Courier, was assaulted by Max Coffey, a young farmer living east of Alma. Lindsey is badly injured, but will recover. When the officers went after Coffey he fled to the timber, but gave himself up tonight. The assault, it is claimed, was without provocation.

PROCLAIMS LABOR DAY

Governor Savage Sets Apart September 1 for Toilers

Governor Savage has issued the usual labor day proclamation designating September 1 as a day to be observed in a manner proper by all. The proclamation is as follows:

"By virtue of the authority vested in me by law, and in compliance with an express statutory provision, I, Ezra P. Savage, governor of Nebraska, do hereby proclaim and designate Monday, September 1, 1902, labor day.

"To the hand that toils society is largely indebted for its existence, welfare and happiness. Idleness, whether in high or low stations of life, is a germ of crime. It is a fungus growth on industry. No pestilence contains so many elements of danger. Labor is a heritage. Providence decreed that man should earn his bread by the sweat of his brow. The law of industry therefore is immutable. To toil is an hereditary legacy whose title cannot be passed. Conditions may strike uneven balances between individuals, which may and do manifest their presence and influence in the form of industrial disquietude, but the most pitiable object is, not the one who is required to labor incessantly, but the one whose keenest solicitude inclines to physical lethargy. Human architecture contemplates labor, and he that avoids labor contravenes nature's laws and does that which is intended to transform him into a social moral and physical derelict. Honorable employment in whatever capacity contains none of the essence of disrespect. If there is one thing which more than another entitles an individual to popular respect, it is that he eschews idleness. That alone masks him with virtue in the estimation of all mankind.

"A day dedicated to industry should therefore be observed in a proper manner by all, and I do therefore respectfully request that on the foregoing date the transaction of business be suspended in a degree consistent with the public needs, that all places for the transaction of public business be closed, and that the day be observed generally in a manner befitting the occasion.

"In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great seal of the state of Nebraska to be affixed.

"Done at Lincoln, this 16th day of August, A. D. 1902.

"EZRA P. SAVAGE,
Governor."

GIVES WOMAN A SCARE
Burglar at Plattsmouth Frightens Mrs. Lamphear

The home of Charles Lamphear, in the south part of Plattsmouth, Neb., was entered by a burglar. Mr. Lamphear had gone to town early in the evening, and his wife sat down to read a paper. An hour later she heard someone quietly enter the kitchen door. Thinking it was her husband returning, she paid no attention to the occurrence, but a moment later, when she looked up, she was startled to see a strange man standing before her. She called loudly for help and the intruder then attempted to choke her with a towel. Neighbors heard her screams, but when assistance arrived the man had disappeared.

At one of the noon-day prayer meetings held in Lincoln, in the summer of 1901, for all Christians, it was suggested that it would be desirable to have a special day of prayer on the last Friday of August.

The thought is that the day be made pre-eminently a day of prayer rather than for sermons or addresses. It is recommended that each church have one or two meetings during the day and that union services be held in the evening whenever practicable. It is suggested also that wherever advisable that a special gospel campaign be inaugurated, beginning if possible on this day.

The call is not only to the Christians of Lincoln and the state of Nebraska, but to all whom the Lord may lead to respond to it.

Steam Plows in Kansas
The partial failure of the wheat crop in Sumner county has not dismayed the big wheat planters, who are now preparing their ground for a bigger crop than ever next year. In the south part of the county steam plows are in use, and near South Haven three of these monster implements are at work now turning over the ground as fast as possible. The ground is in fine shape for plowing owing to the splendid rains of the past summer. Dr. T. J. Hollingsworth of South Haven, who is one of the wealthiest wheat growers in this county, has a steam plow in operation on his farms and says he will plant more wheat this year than ever before.

HERE AND THERE
George W. Inskeep, of Falls City, Neb., is one of the four delegates from Nebraska to the grand council of the United States I. O. R. M., which meets in Norfolk, Va., September 8. Mr. Inskeep is also a member of the finance committee which meets in New York August 23.

A letter from Miss Gladys Deacon, daughter of Mrs. Edward Parker Deacon, appeared in the London papers August 18 in which the writer asks the papers emphatically to contradict the rumors of an alleged betrothal between herself and Crown Prince Frederick William of Germany.

Olaf Jacobson, a farmer residing near Fremont, Neb., was struck and killed by lightning as he was standing beside his team in a field.

A telegram from the acting civil governor of the Philippines states that Denzil H. Taylor, supervisor of Ilocos Norte province, died of cholera August 18. He was formerly a resident of Peterboro, N. H., and Rutland, Vt.

Geo. Hopkins, one of the leading scientists of the country, and editor of the Scientific American, is at the point of death at his home, "The Cedars," in Cheshire, Mass., as a result of a sudden illness brought on by uremic poisoning.

FLAMES ARE FATAL

C. N. McComsey Attempts to Start Fire With Kerosene

TWO DEAD, THREE DYING

The Oil Exploded, Igniting Everything—Helpless Mother, and Infant of a Few Days, Enveloped—Brave Efforts of Outsider to Save Perishing People

A Gering, Neb., August 19, special says: Two persons dead, three more at the point of death, a sixth fearfully burned and a residence in Gering in ashes is the result of the lighting of a fire with kerosene at noon yesterday. C. N. McComsey, whose wife had been ill for several days, was attempting to start a fire in a wood stove when the oil exploded, setting fire to his clothing and throwing the burning fluid all over the room. He was fearfully burned and ran screaming from the house. Before help could arrive the fire had also burned his helpless wife, a baby only a few days old, their two-year-old son and the two little daughters of Luther A. Cook, a neighbor, who were playing with the McComsey boy. County Treasurer Ed J. Whipple, who was attracted by McComsey's cries, was the first to arrive, and although the house was a mass of flames, rushed in and carried out the burning woman and three of the children. The fourth child had in some way escaped. All of them were frightfully burned. McComsey lingered in agony several hours, when he died, and the little baby is also dead. The death of Mrs. McComsey and the two Cook children is expected.

CONFESSES TO ARSON
Man Responsible for Fire at Lawrence Implicates Others

James Robinson, a mason, has confessed to being the man who caused a fire at Lawrence, Nuckolls county, which swept out of existence half of the business section and ruined several merchants. He implicates Mike Morris and Joe Keller, saloonkeepers, and Ed Miller, a bartender. Robinson says he was paid to burn out the opposition saloonkeeper, who was getting most of the business. He succeeded after two trials. He also implicates two of these men in other fires in that town in recent years, in which buildings owned by Keller and Miller were destroyed. Six fires in as many months caused a reign of terror in the town, and Detective Franklin was employed to ferret out the incendiaries. Robinson was a ne'er do well who was suspected because of an unusual display of money. The detective made friends with him and finally wormed out the story by pretending to be something of a firebug himself and anxious to make a bit of coin.

DRAGGED BY HORSE
Fremont Boy Has Hair-Raising Experience While Riding

Roy Lyons, a Fremont young man of nineteen, was painfully, although not seriously injured Monday. He was just starting out with a companion on a horseback ride to North Bend, when a sudden gust of wind tilted his hat. He made a frantic grab for it, frightened the horse, which started to run. The saddle slipped and the boy plunged downward, hanging with his feet in the stirrups.

Lyons was dragged half a block before the animal was stopped. In addition to injuries received from the dragging, he was kicked by the animal. He received injuries in the head and one shoulder, but no serious results are anticipated.

SEVERE STORM AT TRENTON
House Struck by Lightning and Burned to the Ground

Sunday night Trenton, Neb., by one of the severest electrical storms of the season and it caused some alarm. Lightning struck the residence occupied by W. Holston and his son-in-law, Sam Lawrence, and family, and burned it to the ground. A portion of the household goods were saved. The house is covered by insurance. No other damage is reported.

GETS BUT FIFTEEN YEARS
Bank Wrecker Andrews Draws a Light Penalty

A Detroit, Mich., dispatch, of August 19, says: Frank C. Andrews, vice-president of the City Savings bank of this city, and who wrecked the institution some months ago, his embezzlements footing up to about three million dollars, was today sentenced to fifteen years at hard labor in the penitentiary for misappropriating the funds of the bank. The case was a celebrated one from the fact that the amount involved was large, and attracted considerable attention throughout the country.

DROWNED AT IRVINGTON
Man and Boy Overcome by Gas While in a Well

E. E. Chambers and Guy Williams, the fourteen-year-old son of Wesley M. Williams, foreman of a grading camp outfit at Spencer, Neb., were drowned in a well at Irvington, Neb.

Young Williams dropped his hat in the well and was lowered down in the bucket by Chambers. When he got near the bottom the boy fell out and Chambers went down to rescue him. They were both overcome by gas and were dead when taken out.

FIXES LINE BEYOND DOUBT

Alaskan Boundary Just Where Americans Claim It to Be

Skagway advises say the question of the destruction of an old Russian monument in the disputed territory between Alaska and British Yukon, has been settled.

S. Wietzman, a merchant of Haines, arrived in Skagway with the news that Lieutenant Owens had found two monuments in perfect repair and definitely located the place where a third one had been destroyed.

One of the monuments discovered is about ten miles above Ratny Hollow. The other is on the Talkeena river, fifty miles from the coast. The third monument has been destroyed within a few months.

Owens also found an old storm house on the summit. This was called the boundary house when the Russians occupied the country. This establishes beyond all doubt that the Russians did occupy the territory now disputed and that the boundary line, according to the treaty, is where the Americans claim it to be.

NOTED SCIENTIST DEAD
Man Who had Claimed He Could Determine Sex Passes Away

A Vienna, August 18, dispatch says: Professor Schenck, a distinguished embryologist and author of "The Determination of Sex," died Monday at Schwanberg, Styria. Schenck's work, in which he claimed the sex of a child could be fixed at will by the mother undergoing a course of treatment before the child's birth, created considerable of a stir in medical circles where it first appeared several years ago.

A number of persons, among them the czarina of Russia, is reported to have taken the prescribed treatment. In some cases it was stated the treatment had been effective, but in the czarina's case, if she underwent the treatment, it was without result.

Gather for Mimic War
The North Atlantic squadron, including the battleships Kearsarge, Alabama, Massachusetts and dispatch boats Mayflower, Dolphin, cruisers Olympia, Brooklyn, and tugs Peoria and Leyden, are at Rockport, Mass., having assembled to await orders to proceed to New York to engage in mimic war, preparations for which have been in progress for months. They are likely to sail at any minute, but may remain until after the Maine makes her trial trip Thursday.

Czar's Life Threatened
A newspaper of Cracow, Galicia, publishes a report that the czar of Russia recently found on his desk a missive from a revolutionary committee threatening him with death unless he conceded constitutional government to Russia. The czar, according to the Cracow newspaper, was greatly alarmed.

Shiras to Quit Bench
"It is true that my father expects to retire from the bench of the supreme court early in the coming year," said George Shiras, of Pittsburg, Pa., Monday. This is the first direct statement confirmatory of the report that Justice Shiras contemplated leaving the bench. It is stated that Attorney-General Knox will be appointed to succeed him.

A Train Ditched
The baggage, mail, express and two chair cars on the El Paso limited on the Rock Island were ditched by a washout near Letts, Ia., Monday morning. A number of passengers were seriously injured.

Y. M. C. A. World's Congress
About 1,000 foreign delegates, representing thirty-one nations, are at Christiania, Norway, to attend the young men's Christian association world's congress, which lasts until August 24. The United States sent thirty-eight official representatives.

THE NEWS CONDENSED
Cholera is spreading in Manchuria. A serious flood menaces the territory along the Des Moines river from Des Moines to Keokuk.

Sir Henry Irving has arranged for the next appearance of his company in London at the historic Drury Lane theater.

The proposition to erect a sanitarium at Hot Springs, Ark., was defeated by the Knights of Pythias convention at San Francisco.

The Boer generals, Botha, DeWet and Delarey, have left London for Brussels. From Brussels it is their intention to come to the United States.

Henry Glenn, of the Choctaw, Oklahoma & Gulf railroad, was killed by Cobb Teel in a street car at Chicago. He used profane language to the conductor. Glenn, who was accompanied by his wife, objected and in a fight he was shot by Teel.

The reaping machinery of Fritz Berger, a farmer of Centennial Prairie, S. D., near Whitewood, was destroyed by giant powder. It was done at night and was evidently the work of some one in a spirit of malice. A self-binding reaper was entirely destroyed.

Texas fever has been discovered existing in a herd of forty cattle which had been shipped from East St. Louis to Girard, Mo., two weeks ago and which are owned by Alfred & Sample. Two of the cattle died, and four others are sick. Many others may be affected.

Corn and wheat will have to be imported in Mexico from the United States next winter. The corn crop in some Mexican states is good, but the general average is not satisfactory.

A Yokohama, Japan, cablegram says the little island of Torishima was overwhelmed by a volcanic eruption August 13 and 15, and all the inhabitants—150 in number—were destroyed.

The body of John McNeal, aged 60, was found in a skiff near Paducah, Ky. He was known from Pittsburg to the Mississippi as "Sailor Jack." It is believed he died from heart disease while alone in his craft.

BURN AN ELEVATOR

Incendiaries Responsible for a Fire at Warsaw, Neb

FREIGHT CARS DESTROYED

One Loaded With Poultry—Coal Bins Ignited—Evidence of Incendiarism—Property Belonged to Jacques Elevator Co. of Lincoln

A large grain elevator belonging to the Jacques Elevator company of Lincoln burned at Warsaw, Neb., Tuesday night. Besides the main building, the power house, a string of coal bins and four freight cars which were on the sidetrack near by were completely destroyed. There was very little grain in the elevator, but sixty or seventy tons of coal were in the bins and one of the cars was loaded with live poultry. All of the books and office furniture were lost.

There are strong indications that the fire was the work of an incendiary. Warsaw is a mere sidetrack, only one or two buildings besides the elevator being there. The fire was discovered by the manager of the elevator, who lives near by, at about midnight. At that time the interior of the elevator, the power house, the coal bins and the freight cars were all burning briskly, but had not gained sufficient headway at any place to fire adjacent buildings. There is no possible way to account for it, except that they were all fired simultaneously. An elevator belonging to the same company was burned under similar circumstances last summer. Prompt measures will be taken to apprehend the culprit and bring him to justice.

MORE RAIN IS NEEDED
Nebraska Corn in Good Shape But Lacks Moisture

The Nebraska corn crop is pronounced by State Crop Reporter Loveland to be in some danger of injury unless more rain speedily falls. He says that in the southern part of the state it is now needing rain, while in some southwestern counties the crop has already been injured by lack of rain. The acreage thus affected is comparatively small, and generally the crop continues to promise a very large yield. The report says:

The past week was wet and cold in the northern counties and warm and dry in southern and western. The daily mean temperature has averaged about normal in the western part of the state and two degrees above normal in the western.

The rain fall has exceeded an inch in some of the northern counties; in other parts of the state it has been generally less than a quarter of an inch.

The cloudy, moist and rainy weather in the northern counties the past week retarded haying and threshing. In the southern and western counties threshing progressed rapidly. The soil is so dry in the southern part of the state that little progress was made with fall plowing. Corn has grown well in most parts of the state. Apples promise a good crop.

MAKERS OF THE WEST
Over One Thousand Delegates at Trans-Mississippi Congress

A St. Paul, Aug. 19 dispatch says: Over a thousand delegates were in attendance when the convention of the Trans-Mississippi congress was called to order here this morning. After the organization, western topics, especially irrigation, was discussed. The big feature of the gathering will be the address tomorrow by J. J. Hill on "Oriental Trade." President Smith in his opening address said:

"An effort will be made to bring about a consolidation of the congresses of the west. There are now mining, live stock, irrigation and good roads congresses, all operating in harmony, but separately. The idea that better result could be obtained from consolidating is widespread and will receive careful attention."

The morning session was devoted to welcoming the guests. The greetings of the St. Paul commercial club, upon whose invitation the congress met here were given by President Boardman of that body. Mr. Boardman gave way to Mayor Smith, who proffered the welcome of the city, after which Governor Van Sant performed a similar duty as chief of the state of Minnesota. Brief responses were made by President John Henry Smith of Utah; Secretary A. F. Francis of Colorado, and other officers and leading members of the congress.

The program for the session of the congress is only partially outlined. The executive committee has decided that it would not set any fixed time for the discussion of various topics. They will be taken up in order. As rapidly as one is exhausted another will be introduced. In this manner members will be able to devote time to each subject in the proportion that they are interested in it.

The largest and most notable delegations in the conventions: Utah, Iowa, Missouri, Arkansas, Kansas, Texas, Colorado, California, Arizona, Washington, Oregon, New Mexico, Wyoming, Montana and the Dakotas.

Accused an Ex-President
The correspondent of the Neues Wiener Tageblatt at Sofia, Bulgaria, describes, in a dispatch, the violent conflicts which occurred during the recent congress there of the Macedonian committee. M. Sarafoff, the notorious ex-president of the committee, was accused of misappropriating fifty thousand dollars and of being the chief agent in the kidnaping last year of Miss Ellen Stone, the American missionary. He was also accused, according to the correspondent, of paying \$10,000 to a friend named Deltscheff, who planned the kidnaping.

FAIR IS OVERFLOWING

Agricultural, Machinery, and Live Stock Interests Ask for More Space

The cry for more room is reaching the management of the state fair from every direction and in practically all departments. Chairman Rudge of the board of managers Tuesday received a letter from J. R. Chapin, of Blair, superintendent of the agricultural building, who says applications are now in such number that the building is more than full, and he suggests that the board take steps to provide in some way additional space. The management expected, considering the year and the tremendous crops growing in the state, that the agricultural building would be easily filled, but they did not look for an overflow two weeks in advance of the fair. As an index of what the agricultural building will contain, the following counties have made application for space in which to make agricultural county exhibits. This is the list to date:

Washington, Howard, Bart, Antelope, Scotts Bluff, Hitchcock, Gage, Nemaha, Franklin, Kearney, Frontier, Hayes, Cuming, Saline, Merrick, York, Rock, Custer. In addition to these counties, Lancaster county will make an unusually large display of agricultural products in all lines. Besides these county exhibits, the university experiment farm will make its usual handsome and interesting display on a larger scale than ever, and all individual exhibitors will have to be accommodated in the agricultural building, and their number will be far more numerous than ever.

In the stock department, the question of overflow already confronts the management. Requests from swine exhibitors already exceed the capacity for this part of the fair on the grounds, and no state fair in the west has such large accommodations for swine breeders as the Nebraska state board of agriculture furnishes.

YELLOW FLAG AT CHICAGO
Smallpox on Board a Lake Steamer, and Cargo Must Be Burned

For the first time in many years the yellow flag of the smallpox quarantine is flying from a ship in Chicago harbor. Early Tuesday the Huron City, a big lumber freighter, with a cargo of cedar ties, arrived in port from the northern Michigan pines and its officers notified the health authorities that smallpox had broken out on board.

The boat will be held for a week and the cargo probably will be burned. Members of the health department are much interested in the quarantine, inasmuch as medical authorities recently have been exploiting the theory that many smallpox germs are carried from infected lumber camps in cedar logs.

WANT HIGHER WAGES
Cattle Butchers Will Present New Scale to the Packers

A new wage scale, calling for an average advance of 10 per cent, will be presented to the managers of all of the meat-packing houses in Chicago and cities west by the cattle butchers. The scale is to go into effect on September 2 and the packers will be asked to give their answer to the demand before Labor day. The towns and the number of cattle butchers affected are: Chicago, 670; East St. Louis, 150; St. Louis, 50; Kansas City, 300; St. Joseph, 150; Omaha, 100; Sioux City, 50; St. Paul, 50.

Vents Anger on Woman
Mrs. Zollo Bello Rodriguez, wife of former President Andrade's prime minister, and her four children, arrived at Port of Spain, Island of Trinidad, recently on a steamer of the Royal Steamship company, having been expelled from Venezuelan territory by order of President Castro. She was compelled to abandon her home and family and leave the country within forty-eight hours. Hitherto the governments of Venezuela have always regarded women as neutrals and have never held them responsible for the acts of their husbands.

Consuelo With Us
The Duchess of Marlborough, who, before marriage, was Consuelo Vanderbilt, set foot on American soil Tuesday for the first time since her marriage seven years ago. She was accompanied by her mother, Mrs. O. H. P. Belmont and Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Vanderbilt, Jr., the latter a sister of Chas. Fair. The news of the death of the latter and his wife caused the party intense sorrow and may change the plans of the duchess. The duke is in England and probably intends to live up to his vow to never visit the United States again.

Canada Offers Solution
The Canadian government has instructed the homesteading agents at Toledo, Ohio, to proceed to the Pennsylvania and West Virginia coal regions and offer inducements to 30,000 or more striking miners and families to form a colony and locate on homesteads in Canada, the government to donate land in the great wheat belt. The men will be provided with work until they can prepare their land for crops.

Six Are Burned to Death
Six lives were lost in a fire which burned a ramshackle tenement at 36 Essex street, New York. After the fire had subsided the firemen searched the building from cellar to roof, finding six bodies. The dead are Mrs. Annie Botochin, an unidentified woman, Sallie Leibwitz, Louis Leibwitz, Jules Leibwitz and Morris Leibwitz.

Vacancy Filled
The board of regents of the Wisconsin state university met Tuesday to consider the appointment of a successor to the late President Adams. No action was taken, the selection of a president being deferred until April next. Dean Birge will continue as acting president.

Joseph Anderson, a farmer living east of Salina, Kan., in a fit of despondency, drowned his four children, three girls and a boy, in a cistern and then shot himself with a revolver. Anderson is still alive, but will probably die.